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Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group II (claims 7-12 and 18-22) without traverse. Applicants reserve the right to re-present the claims of the non-elected Group I (claims 1-6, 13-17 and 24) and non-elected Group III (claims 23, 25 and 26) by filing divisional applications directed thereto.

Applicants respectfully request that the Application be examined. Should the Examiner wish to discuss the Application, it is requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned at (415) 772-1200.

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